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SUBJECT: KHMER IN 29TH UNGA: COMMUNIST DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL IN
PHNOM PENH

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1. WE HAVE PASSED CHHUT CHHOEUR'S INQUIRY ON TO FONMIN, AND
HE WILL BE GETTING SEPARATE REPLY FROM THEM.

2. IN MEANTIME, ONLY BLOC DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE WHO
OFFICIALLY AND OPENLY REPRESENTS HIMSELF AS IN THAT STATUS IS
POLISH CHARGE JAN MIASKOWSKI, WHO ARRIVED IN LATE AUGUST TO
REPLACE A PREVIOUS INCUMBENT. HE HAS TWO OTHER OFFICERS;
ALL HAVE DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS.

3. SOVIETS AND EAST GERMANS, IF TAXED WITH HAVING ANYONE
IN PHNOM PENH, WOULD REPLY THAT THEY ARE CUSTODIAL PERSONNEL
HAVING NO DIPLOMATIC FUNCTION. NEVERTHELESS, OUR RECORDS
SHOW THE FOLLOWING AS HAVING BEEN HERE WITH NO INDICATION
THAT THEY HAVE LEFT ON THE SOVIET SIDE:

YURI LEONODOVICH KOSSINSKY - NOVOSTI/TASS CORRES-
PONDENT, WITH WIFE, SON AND AUGHTER, GENERALLY CONSIDERED
TO BE SENIOR SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE IN TOWN (SERVICE PPT.);

GEORGIY KISELEV, WIFE AND SON (DIPLOMATIC PPT.);

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VALERY PUCHNIN, WIFE (SERVICE PPT.);

LEONID CHERNYUGOV, 3RD SECRETARY (DIPLOMATIC PPT.);
VALERIY P. KATAYEV, WIFE (SERVICE PPT.);
SERGEI SMIRNOV (DIPLOMATIC PPT.).

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT AN EAST GERMAN WITH DIPLOMATIC
PASSPORT RECENTLY ARRIVED IN PHNOM PENH, NAMED ERICH
STANGE AND WIFE, AS ATTACHE.

5. AS CAN BE SEEN FROM ABOVE, BLOC PRESENCE HERE, APART
FROM THE POLE, IS LOW-KEY AND AMBIVALENT. IT SEEMS CLEAR
THAT THEY ARE KEEPING THEIR HAND IN, LISTENING AND AP-
PRAISING, AND BY THEIR VERY PRESENCE INDICATING THAT THEY
HAVE NOT WRITTEN OFF THE GKR. STILL WE WOULD THINK THIS

SORT OF THING SHOULD BE USED ONLY IN DISCREET CORRIDOR
CONVERSATIONS, AND NOT IN MANNER WHICH INVITES REBUTTAL
FROM BLOC SIDE.
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